# Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 44410 City of Lewisville RN101212090 Docket No. 2012-1269-WQ-E

# **Order Type:**

Findings Agreed Order

# **Findings Order Justification:**

People or environmental receptors have been exposed to pollutants which exceed levels that are protective.

### Media:

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### **Small Business:**

No

### Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

City of Lewisville PWS, 1400 North Cowan Avenue, Lewisville, Denton County Water main and blowoff valve located southeast of the intersection of Old Orchard Lane and Creekview Drive, Lewisville, Denton County

# **Type of Operation:**

Public water supply with a water main and blowoff valve

# **Other Significant Matters:**

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: The complainant has expressed an interest in this matter but

does not wish to speak at Agenda.

Texas Register Publication Date: November 9, 2012

Comments Received: No

# Penalty Information

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$6,750

**Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement:** \$0 **Amount Deferred for Financial Inability to Pay:** \$0

**Total Paid to General Revenue:** \$6,750 **Total Due to General Revenue:** \$0

Payment Plan: N/A

**SEP Conditional Offset:** \$0

Name of SEP: N/A

# **Compliance History Classifications:**

Person/CN - Average

Site/RN - Average by Default

Major Source: No

**Statutory Limit Adjustment:** N/A

Applicable Penalty Policy: September 2011

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# **Investigation Information**

Complaint Date(s): May 5, 2012

Complaint Information: Alleged that dead fish and a strong fish odor were in

Timber Creek.

Date(s) of Investigation: May 3, 2012 and May 7, 2012

Date(s) of NOE(s): May 11, 2012

# Violation Information

- 1. Failed to prevent the unauthorized discharge of pollutants into or adjacent to any waters in the state [Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1)].
- 2. Failed to provide timely notification to the TCEQ of accidental discharges which cause pollution [Tex. Water Code § 26.039(b)].

# Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

# **Corrective Action(s) Completed:**

Respondent has implemented the following corrective measures at the Facility:

- a. By May 1, 2012, ceased the discharge from the blow-off valve into Timber Creek and the unnamed tributary.
- b. By May 7, 2012:
- i. Removed the dead fish from Timber Creek and the unnamed tributary; and
- ii. Clearly identified the blow-off valve by painting and marking to prevent future incidents.
- c. By June 27, 2012, provided updated operational guidance to ensure that the TCEQ is properly notified within 24 hours of any discharge.

# **Technical Requirements:**

N/A

# Litigation Information

Date Petition(s) Filed: N/A Date Answer(s) Filed: N/A SOAH Referral Date: N/A Hearing Date(s): N/A Settlement Date: N/A

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# **Contact Information**

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Michaelle Sherlock, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 2, MC R-13, (210) 403-4076; Debra Barber, Enforcement Division,

MC 219, (512) 239-0412

**TCEQ SEP Coordinator**: N/A

Respondent: Claude King, City Manager, City of Lewisville, P.O. Box 299002,

Lewisville, Texas 75029

The Honorable Dean Ueckert, Mayor, City of Lewisville, P.O. Box 299002, Lewisville,

Texas 75029

**Respondent's Attorney:** N/A

Policy Revision 3 (S		alty Calcu	lation W	'orkshee	t (PC		evision August 3, 201
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**PAYABLE PENALTY** 

\$6,750

Screening Date 25-Jun-2012

Respondent City of Lewisville

**Case ID No.** 44410

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101212090

Media [Statute] Water Quality Enf. Coordinator Michaelle Sherlock Policy Revision 3 (September 2011) PCW Revision August 3, 2011

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NOVs	Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar vio the current enforcement action (number of NOVs meeting crite		0%
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Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (number of events)	0	0%
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	Environmental management systems in place for one year or r		0%
Other	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the under a special assistance program	executive director No	0%
	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
	Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets futur government environmental requirements	re state or federal No	0%
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### **Economic Benefit Worksheet**

Respondent City of Lewisville Case ID No. 44410 Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101212090 Media Water Quality

Media Water Quality
Violation No. 1

Percent Interest Depreciation

Item Cost Date Required Final Date Yrs Interest Saved Onetime Costs

5.0 15

Item Description No commas or \$

**Delayed Costs** 

Equipment
Buildings
Other (as needed)
Engineering/construction
Land
Record Keeping System
Training/Sampling
Remediation/Disposal
Permit Costs
Other (as needed)

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			0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
			0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
\$500	1-May-2012	1-May-2012	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
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			0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
			0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
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\$3,200	1-May-2012	7-May-2012	0.02	\$3	n/a	\$3
			0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
			0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs

The delayed costs include the estimated amount to determine the source and stop the discharge, calculated from the date of the discharge to the date of compliance and the estimated amount to label the blow-off valve to prevent future errors and remove the dead fish, calculated from the date of discharge to the date of compliance.

Avoided Costs
Disposal
Personnel
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling
Supplies/equipment
Financial Assurance [2]
ONE-TIME avoided costs [3]
Other (as needed)

ANNUALIZE [1] avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided costs)						
		0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	
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Approx. Cost of Compliance

Notes for AVOIDED costs

\$3,700

TOTAL \$3

# **Economic Benefit Worksheet**

Respondent City of Lewisville **Case ID No.** 44410 Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101212090 Percent Interest Depreciation Media Water Quality Violation No. 2 5.0 Item Cost Date Required Final Date Yrs Interest Saved Onetime Costs **EB Amount** Item Description No commas or \$ **Delayed Costs** \$0 \$0 0.00 \$0 \$0 Equipment \$0 Buildings 0.00 \$0 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Other (as needed) 0.00 Engineering/construction \$0 0.00 \$0 \$0 n/a Land Record Keeping System 0.00 n/a \$0 0.15 27-Jun-2012 Training/Sampling \$250 2-May-2012 n/a \$2 Remediation/Disposal \$0 n/a 0.00 \$0 n/a **Permit Costs** Other (as needed) Estimated cost to update operational guidance to ensure that unauthorized discharges are reported to the Notes for DELAYED costs TCEQ within 24 hours, calculated from the date the notification was due to the date of compliance. ANNUALIZE [1] avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided costs) **Avoided Costs** Disposal 0.00 \$0 \$0 Personnel 0.00 \$0 \$0 0.00 \$0 Inspection/Reporting/Sampling <u>\$0</u> \$0 0.00 \$0 \$0 Supplies/equipment 0.00 Financial Assurance [2] \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 0.00 \$0 ONE-TIME avoided costs [3] 0.00 Other (as needed)

\$250

TOTAL

\$2

Notes for AVOIDED costs

Approx. Cost of Compliance

Compliance History Report

Customer/Respondent/Owner-Operator:

CN600535140

City of Lewisville

Classification: AVERAGE

Rating: 3.12

Regulated Entity:

RN101212090

CITY OF LEWISVILLE PWS Classification: AVERAGE

BY DEFAULT

Site Rating: 3.01

ID Number(s):

PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM/SUPPLY REGISTRATION 0610004

PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION 27825

WATER LICENSING LICENSE 0610004

Location:

1400 NORTH COWAN AVENUE, LEWISVILLE, DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS

TCEQ Region:

**REGION 04 - DFW METROPLEX** 

Date Compliance History Prepared:

June 25, 2012

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Compliance Period:

June 25, 2007 to June 25, 2012

TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding this Compliance History

Name:

Michaelle Sherlock

Phone:

(210) 403-4076

### **Site Compliance History Components**

- 1. Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period? YES
- 2. Has there been a (known) change in ownership/operator of the site during the compliance period? NO
- 3. If YES, who is the current owner/operator? N/A
- 4. If YES, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)? N/A
- 5. If YES, when did the change(s) in owner or operator occur? N/A
- 6. Rating Date: 9/1/2011 Repeat Violator: NO

#### Components (Multimedia) for the Site:

- Final Enforcement Orders, court judgments, and consent decrees of the State of Texas and the federal government.
- B. Any criminal convictions of the state of Texas and the federal government.

Chronic excessive emissions events.

- D. The approval dates of investigations. (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.)
  - 08/24/2010

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Written notices of violations (NOV). (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.)

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N/A

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F. Environmental audits.

G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs).

H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates.

N/A

Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program.

Early compliance. J.

N/A

Sites Outside of Texas

N/A

# Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



IN THE MATTER OF AN	8	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
CITY OF LEWISVILLE	§	
RN101212090	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

### AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2012-1269-WQ-E

At its	agenda, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
("the Commission" or "TCEQ")	considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an
enforcement action regarding the	City of Lewisville ("Respondent") under the authority of TEX.
WATER CODE chs. 7 and 26. The	Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement
Division, and the Respondent pres	sented this agreement to the Commission.

The Respondent understands that it has certain procedural rights at certain points in the enforcement process, including, but not limited to, the right to formal notice of violations, notice of an evidentiary hearing, the right to an evidentiary hearing, and a right to appeal. By entering into this Agreed Order, the Respondent agrees to waive all notice and procedural rights.

It is further understood and agreed that this Order represents the complete and fully-integrated settlement of the parties. The provisions of this Agreed Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Agreed Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable. The duties and responsibilities imposed by this Agreed Order are binding upon the Respondent.

The Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

#### I. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Respondent owns and operates a public water supply at 1400 North Cowan Avenue with a water main and blowoff valve located southeast of the intersection of Old Orchard Lane and Creekview Drive in Lewisville, Denton County, Texas (the "Facility").

- 2. The Respondent has discharged a pollutant into or adjacent to any water in the state under Tex. Water Code ch. 26.
- 3. During an investigation conducted on May 3 and May 7, 2012, TCEQ staff documented that on May 1, 2012, a potable water discharge occurred southeast of the intersection of Old Orchard Lane and Creekview Drive resulting in the discharge of approximately 2.0-2.5 million gallons of chlorinated water into Timber Creek and an unnamed tributary, killing approximately 230 fish.
- 4. During an investigation conducted on May 3 and May 7, 2012, TCEQ staff documented that a potable water discharge was discovered on May 1, 2012, but not reported to TCEQ until May 3, 2012.
- 5. The Respondent received notice of the violations on June 13, 2012.
- 6. The Executive Director recognizes that the Respondent has implemented the following corrective measures at the Facility:
  - a. By May 1, 2012, ceased the discharge from the blow-off valve into Timber Creek and the unnamed tributary.
  - b. By May 7, 2012:
    - i. Removed the dead fish from Timber Creek and the unnamed tributary; and
    - ii. Clearly identified the blow-off valve by painting and marking to prevent future incidents.
  - c. By June 27, 2012, provided updated operational guidance to ensure that the TCEQ is properly notified within 24 hours of any discharge.

### II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the TCEQ pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE chs. 7 and 26 and the rules of the Commission.
- 2. As evidenced by Findings of Fact No. 3, the Respondent failed to prevent the unauthorized discharge of pollutants into or adjacent to any waters in the state, in violation of Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1).
- 3. As evidenced by Findings of Fact No. 4, the Respondent failed to provide timely notification to the TCEQ of accidental discharges which cause pollution, in violation of Tex. Water Code § 26.039(b).

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- 4. Pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 7.051, the Commission has the authority to assess an administrative penalty against the Respondent for violations of the Texas Water Code and the Texas Health and Safety Code within the Commission's jurisdiction; for violations of rules adopted under such statutes; or for violations of orders or permits issued under such statutes.
- 5. An administrative penalty in the amount of Six Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$6,750) is justified by the facts recited in this Agreed Order, and considered in light of the factors set forth in Tex. Water Code § 7.053. The Respondent has paid the Six Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollar (\$6,750) administrative penalty.

#### III. ORDERING PROVISIONS

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ORDERS that:

1. The Respondent is assessed an administrative penalty in the amount of Six Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$6,750) as set forth in Section II, Paragraph 5 above, for violations of TCEQ rules and state statutes. The payment of this administrative penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order completely resolve the violations set forth by this Agreed Order in this action. However, the Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective actions or penalties for other violations that are not raised here. Administrative penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: City of Lewisville, Docket No. 2012-1269-WQ-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13088 Austin, Texas 78711-3088

- 2. The provisions of this Agreed Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of the Agreed Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Facility operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
- 3. The Executive Director may refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings without notice to the Respondent if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Agreed Order.
- 4. This Agreed Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order, whichever is later.

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- 5. This Agreed Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Agreed Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
- 6. This Agreed Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Agreed Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Agreed Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or issued for any purpose for which an original signature could be used. The term "signature" shall include manual signatures and true and accurate reproductions of manual signatures created, executed, endorsed, adopted, or authorized by the person or persons to whom the signatures are attributable. Signatures may be copied or reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. paragraph exclusively, the terms "electronic transmission", "owner", "person", "writing", and "written" shall have the meanings assigned to them under TEX. BUS. ORG. CODE § 1.002.
- 7. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this Agreed Order to each of the parties. By law, the effective date of this Agreed Order is the third day after the mailing date, as provided by 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.10(b) and Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.142.

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# SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission	r v
For the Executive Director	2/18/12
For the Executive Director	Date
I, the undersigned, have read and understand the at City of Lewisville. I am authorized to agree to the atta Lewisville, and do agree to the specified terms and of TCEQ, in accepting payment for the penalty a representation.	ached Agreed Order on behalf of the City of conditions. I further acknowledge that the
I understand that by entering into this Agreed Or procedural rights, including, but not limited to, the right this Agreed Order, notice of an evidentiary hearing the right to appeal. I agree to the terms of the Agree This Agreed Order constitutes full and final adjudicate forth in this Agreed Order.	ght to formal notice of violations addressed ng, the right to an evidentiary hearing, and ed Order in lieu of an evidentiary hearing.
<ul> <li>I also understand that failure to comply with the and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, may</li> <li>A negative impact on compliance history;</li> <li>Greater scrutiny of any permit applications su</li> <li>Referral of this case to the Attorney General additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or to the Increased penalties in any future enforcements.</li> <li>Automatic referral to the Attorney General's and</li> <li>TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law In addition, any falsification of any compliance documents.</li> </ul>	result in: bmitted; al's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, to a collection agency; actions; Office of any future enforcement actions; v.
Signature	9/4/12 Date
Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of City of Lewisville	City Manager Title

**Instructions**: Send the original, signed Agreed Order with penalty payment to the Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section at the address in Section IIÌ, Paragraph 1 of this Agreed Order.